

REMARKS

Claims 2 and 3 are pending in this Application. Claims 2 and 3 were indicated to contain allowable subject matter. Claim 2 has been placed in independent form and claim 1 cancelled. Applicants submit that the present Amendment does not generate any new matter issue.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 for obviousness predicated upon Shang in view of Okubo et al.

This rejection is traversed. Indeed, this rejection has been rendered moot by canceling claim 1. Accordingly, withdrawal of the objection of claim 1 is solicited.

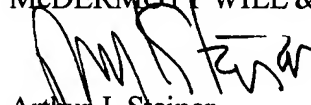
Applicants acknowledge, with appreciation, the Examiner's indication that claims 2 and 3 contain allowable subject matter. Claim 2 has been placed in independent form, and claim 3 depends therefrom. Accordingly, claims 2 and 3, all remaining claims, are in condition for immediate allowance. Favorable consideration is, therefore, solicited.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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